



Fair Political Practices Commission

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### FPPC Enforcement Decisions: July 10, 2003

The following are enforcement decisions approved by the Fair Political Practices Commissions at its regular monthly meeting held in Sacramento on July 10, 2003. Decisions are divided by category and include brief summaries of each case and the amount of the fines.

Additional information on each of the enforcement cases below can be found in the current agenda on the FPPC Web site at [www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov). FPPC agendas are distributed and posted on the agency Web site 10 days prior to each monthly meeting.

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#### Campaign Reporting Violations

##### **Arturo Reyes and the Committee to Elect Arturo Reyes, FPPC No. 01/591.**

Staff: Commission Counsel Steven Meinrath and Investigator III Sandra Buckner.

The commission issued a default decision and order regarding Arturo Reyes, a member of the Lynwood City Council, and the Committee to Elect Arturo Reyes, who failed to timely file pre-election campaign disclosure statements, in violation of Government Code Section 84200.8; failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign disclosure statement, in violation of Government Code Section 84200(a); failed to establish a campaign bank account, in violation of Government Code Section 85201; failed to report campaign contributions, in violation of Government Code Section 84211; made a campaign expenditure not from a campaign bank account, in violation of Government Code Section 85201; and failed to maintain detailed records and accounts necessary to prepare campaign statements, in violation of Government Code Section 84104 (12 counts). **\$24,000 fine.**

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**Robert "Bob" Pacheco, Committee to Elect Bob Pacheco to State Assembly, Jacobo "Jack" Vela; FPPC No. 00/162.**

Staff: Commission Counsel Steven Meinrath and Accounting Specialist Luz Bonetti.

The respondents failed to file a late contribution report to disclose a \$21,000 loan from Robert Pacheco (R-Walnut, Los Angeles County) to the committee, in violation of Government Code Section 84203; failed to timely disclose campaign expenditures totaling \$43,794.91, in violation of Government Code Section 84211; and failed to disclose campaign contributions totaling \$83,646.78, in violation of Government Code Section 84211 (7 counts). **\$14,000 fine.**

**Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Union, Local 11 Political Action Committee and Maria Elena Durazo; FPPC No. 01/186.**

Staff: Commission Counsel Jennie Eddy and Investigator III Dan Schek.

Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Union, Local 11, Political Action Committee is a state general-purpose recipient committee sponsored by the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Union, Local 11, in Los Angeles. Maria Elena Durazo was the treasurer for the committee. The respondents committed six violations of the Act by: failing to timely file a statement of organization, in violation of Section 84101(a); failing to file a pre-election campaign statement, in violation of Section 84200.7(a); and failing to disclose independent expenditures on campaign statements and late independent expenditure reports in violation of Sections 84211(j) and 84204 (6 counts). **\$9,250 fine.**

**Paula Kent Meehan; FPPC No. 02/711.**

Staff: Commission Counsel Jennie Eddy and Investigator III Jon Wroten.

Paula Kent Meehan is the chairman and president of Kenquest, Inc., in Beverly Hills. Meehan failed to file three late contribution reports, in violation of Section 84203(a) (3 counts). **\$3,600 fine.**

**No on Prop. 35 et al, FPPC No. 01/702.**

Staff: Commission Counsel Julia Bilaver and Investigator III Jon Wroten.

“No on Prop. 35 – A coalition of engineers, peace officers, firefighters, taxpayers, public servants, small businesses, teachers and senior citizens” was a ballot measure committee sponsored by Professional Engineers in California Government, headquartered in Sacramento. The committee was primarily formed to oppose Proposition 35 in the Nov. 7, 2000, general election. Bruce McGinnis was the treasurer of the Committee. “No on Prop. 35” failed to report on pre-election and post-election campaign statements approximately \$3.6 million in payments made to sub-vendors, in violation of Government Code Section 84303 (14 counts). **\$36,000 fine.**

**Milan Panic; FPPC No. 02/772.**

Staff: Commission Counsel Jennie Eddy and Investigator III Jon Wroten.

Milan Panic is the former chairman of the board and chief executive officer of ICN Pharmaceuticals, Inc., of Costa Mesa. Panic failed to file two late contribution reports in violation of Section 84203(a) (2 counts). **\$2,250 fine.**

**ICN Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; FPPC No. 02/707.**

Staff: Commission Counsel Jennie Eddy and Investigator III Jon Wroten.

ICN Pharmaceuticals, Inc., of Costa Mesa, failed to file two late contribution reports, in violation of Section 84203(a) (2 counts). **\$4,350 fine.**

**Anybody But Hamilton and Monica Romeyn; FPPC No. 98/248.**

Staff: Commission Counsel William J. Lenkeit and Investigator III Dan Schek.

“Anybody But Hamilton” was a committee formed in Sonoma County to oppose Jane Hamilton for county supervisor. Monica Romeyn was the committee treasurer. The respondents committed three violations of the Act by: failing to timely file a statement of organization, in violation of Government Code Section 84101(a); failing to file a pre-election campaign statement, in violation of Government Code Section 84200.5(a); and failing to file a late independent expenditure report, in violation of Government Code Section 84204(a) (3 counts). **\$5,500 fine.**

**SEI Violations**

**Dale Cumpston; FPPC No. 01/339.**

Staff: Commission Counsel Jeffery A. Sly.

Dale Cumpston, a member of the Tehama County Building Inspection Board of Appeals, failed to timely file a 2000 annual Statement of Economic Interests, in violation of Government Code Section 87300 (1 count). **\$600 fine.**

**Coby King; FPPC No. 02/433.**

Staff: Commission Counsel Jeffery A. Sly and SEI Coordinator Mary Ann Kvasager.

Coby King, a member of the California Council on Criminal Justice, failed to timely file an assuming-office Statement of Economic Interests, in violation of Government Code Section 87300 (1 count). **\$400 fine.**

**Martha Uribes; FPPC No. 02/106.**

Staff: Commission Counsel Jeffery A. Sly and SEI Coordinator Mary Ann Kvasager.

Martha Uribes, a former executive secretary for the California State Assembly, and press secretary for the California State Senate, failed to timely file a leaving-office Statement of Economic Interests and an assuming-office Statement of Economic Interests, in violation of Government Code Section 87300 (2 counts). **\$400 fine.**

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